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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:

Ralf ZINK et al.

Application No.: 09/559,355

Group Art Unit:

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Examiner:

For: ENHANCED GROWTH OF LACTIC
ACID BACTERIA IN MILK

Attorney Docket No.
8265-320

SUBMISSION OF EXECUTED DECLARATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

On April 27, 2000, applicants filed the subject application with an unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney. We are now submitting herewith, attached to a copy of the application as filed, a Declaration and Power of Attorney which has been executed by the applicants, Ralf ZINC, Marina ELLI, Roberto RENIERO and Lorenzo MORELLI.

A fee of \$130.00 is believed to be due for the submission of this Submission. Please charge all required fees to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

Also, please assign customer number 20582 to this application.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

7/18/00

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